



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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Examiner: Lezah ROBERTS

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Title: LONG-LASTING, FLAVORED DOSAGE
FORMS FOR SUSTAINED RELEASE OF
BENEFICIAL AGENTS WITHIN THE MOUTH

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENTS FOR RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed July 2, 2007 in which the Examiner required restriction between six groups of claims. As September 2, 2007 was a Sunday, and September 3, 2007 a federal holiday, a one-month extension of time is sufficient for filing the amendment today, September 4, 2007. The extension fee accompanies this response.

The Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this document. Claims 47, 73, 74, 81, 89, 95, and 97 have been amended and the remaining claims are unchanged.

Applicants' Remarks begin on page 15 of this document.